

Appl. No. 09/785,999
Amdt. dated September 26, 2003
Reply to Office Action of July 15, 2003

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

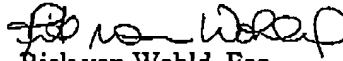
The present Amendment is submitted to supplement the Amendment filed with an RCE on September 26, 2003. Claims 1-16 and 26 are pending after entry of this Amendment.

In the Claims

Applicants herein correct the status of claims 27-31. Following a telephone conference with the Examiner, counsel for Applicants have agreed to designate claims 27-31 as canceled. Applicants retain the right to timely file a Divisional Application for the non-elected claims.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the Amendment submitted on September 26, 2003, and in particular, the reconsideration of claims 1-16 and 26. Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, a notice of allowance is respectfully requested. If Examiner has any questions concerning the present Amendment, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at (408) 749-6900, ext. 6905. If any additional fees are due in connection with filing this amendment, the Commissioner is also authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM1P106A). A copy of the transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

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